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Docket No. 27391/US587

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the following application:

Application

Application Serial No:	10/617,532
Filed on:	July 11, 2003
Inventors:	Masatoshi Nakayama
Title:	Thin-Film Magnetic Head, Method for Producing the Same and Magnetic Disk Device Having a Slider Using the Same
Art Unit:	2656
Examiner:	Tianjie Chen
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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - ii. Other
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other: Petition for extension of time

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